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MEASURE J RE-IMAGINE LA
Economic Opportunity and Sustainability Subcommittee

Monday, February 8th, 2021 at 4:00pm

1. The **Economic Opportunity and Sustainability** Subcommittee was called to order by co-chair, Dan Langford. at 4:06 pm. Liz Sunwoo and Chrysta Wilson(Wilson & Associates) introduced themselves as meeting facilitators.
2. **Introduction and Grounding** was led by Sunwoo who explained the Group Agreements which would be used throughout future group meetings in order for everyone to feel welcome, included, and comfortable contributing to the conversation.
 - a. Group agreements included:
 - Be present: try to have cameras on, listen actively and turn off other devices and apps during meeting
 - Equity in Participation: Mute while others are speaking, use “raise hand” reaction
 - If you have spoken allow space for others to speak
 - Practice grace and openness
 - Take care of your bodies
 - Use people-centered Language
 - b. Public Comment was opened for comments on group agreements. Public comments were made by:
 - Treneatra Muhammad
3. **Subcommittee Orientation**
 - a. Brief orientation of the 5 Subcommittees which include:
 - Economic Opportunity and Sustainability
 - Housing
 - Diversion, Behavioral health and Health
 - Education Access and Youth Development, and
 - Reentry.
 - b. What will the subcommittee do?
 - Subcommittee is a Brown Act body
 - Is responsible for making Measure J spending allocations to the Measure J

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Re-Imagine LA Advisory Committee (Advisory Committee)

- Also responsible for identifying programs and services that can be funded by Measure J and that will support communities and people impacted by systemic racism and carceral system.

c. Subcommittee Expectations

- Will have five meetings, at the end of which the subcommittee will provide recommendations to the Advisory Committee
- Will build on the work of the ATI Work Group
- The subcommittee will provide recommendations to the Advisory Committee, who will in turn provide recommendations to the Los Angeles County Chief Executive Office (CEO), who will provide recommendations to the County Board of Supervisors (BOS)
- The Board of Supervisors will ultimately make the final decision on how Measure J funds are used.

d. Subcommittee voting procedures were provided

- All subcommittee members may vote
- Votes will be decided by a simple majority

e. The meeting facilitator opened up for public comments and questions. The following people provided written comment:

- Hector Ramirez
- Michael Green

4. **Action Item (Vote) - Co-Chair Election**

a. Dan Langford provided the Co-Chair Roles & Responsibilities which included:

- represent the advisory committee and its conversations at the subcommittee,
- attend all 5 subcommittee meetings
- provide guidance from the Advisory Committee and measure J language to support concrete funding recommendations,
- bring subject-matter expertise through personal lived work experience. support in facilitating comments and feedback into concrete funding recommendations.
- report information from this subcommittee to the advisory committee, and
- provide support to facilitators in presenting material and decision-making process.

b. Co-chair Dan Langford opened the floor for nominations. The following people were nominated for co-chair:

1. Treneatra Muhammad (Accepted Nomination)
2. Bamby Salcedo (Denied Nomination)
3. Luis Guzman (Denied Nomination)
4. Brad Carson (Accepted Nomination)
5. Daisy Rios (Denied Nomination)

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6. Steve Delgado (Denied Nomination)
 7. Rayceana Rocha (Accepted Nomination)
 8. Sam Lewis (Accepted Nomination)
 9. Michael Green (Denied Nomination)
 10. Yesenia Garkanian (Accepted Nomination)
 11. Yvette Crayon (Accepted Nomination)
 12. Daisy Rios (Denied Nomination)
 13. Celestial Scott (Denied Nomination)
 14. Yvette Ale (Accepted Nomination)
 15. Maagic Collins (Accepted Nomination)
 16. Lisa Steele (Denied Nomination)
- c. Each nominee was given one minute to introduce themselves. Co-chair Dan Langford and opened the floor for public comment prior to the vote. The following people provided public comments:
- Miranda Sheffield
 - Michael Green
 - Eric Ares
 - Trudy Goodwin
- d. Following public comment the vote commenced and the results were as follows:
1. Treneatra Muhammad – 4% of votes
 2. Maagic Collins – 3% of votes
 3. Brad Carson- 6% of votes
 4. Rayceana Rocha-3% of votes
 5. Sam Lewis- 10% of votes
 6. Yesenia Garkanian-3% of votes
 7. Yvette Crayon-6% of votes
 8. Ivette Ale- 66% of votes
- e. Following sharing of the voting results, Ivette Ale accepted the role of co-chair

5. Facilitator Chrysa Wilson led a discussion on the vision for Funding Recommendations

- a. Recommendations should belong the subcommittee focus area and that funding should go to groups most impacted by systemic racism and mass incarceration and eliminate the disparities suffered by those groups.
- b. Facilitator Chrysa Wilson led a brainstorming session to determine the subcommittee's focus when creating funding recommendations. She explained that recommendations should consider three themes:
 - What is the long-term vision for change in and improvement in the subcommittee's focus area?
 - What programs, services, and initiatives does the subcommittee want to fund this fiscal year, between July 1, 2021 and June 30, 2022?
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fund, but might take longer to implement? (2+ years)

- c. Subcommittee should also consider how Measure J funding moves into the community
 - Established process of distributing funds through County departments
 - Subcommittee can propose an additional process to equitably distribute Measure J funds such as a block grant for community-based organizations
- d. Chrysta Wilson then shared potential questions the subcommittee should consider including the following:
 - What outcomes would the subcommittee like to see as a result of funding?
 - Are there population categories we hope to access by outcomes?
 - What types of programs/services/initiatives will move us closer to those identifies outcomes?
 - What Measure J funding category/ATI foundational recommendations/ATI overarching strategy does this program/service/initiative connect to?
 - Is there a connection to or consideration of the “through themes” identified by the Advisory Committee below?
 - Individuals experiencing mental health disorders
 - Individuals experiencing substance use disorders
 - Homelessness
 - Situations caused by unmet needs
 - People with disabilities
 - Zip codes
 - Community of interest
 - Preventative health needs
 - System impacted individuals
 - How will your recommendation aim to eliminate disparities within any of the following categories?
 - Race
 - Ethnicity
 - Sex
 - Gender identity
 - Sexual orientation
 - Languages spoken
 - Geography
 - Concentrated and/or accumulated disadvantage
 - Immigration status
 - Age
 - Veteran status
 - What do people with lived experience say the need?

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- How will you prioritize communities with the most need?
- What population of individuals will the program/service/initiative benefit?
- How does this program/service/initiative build community capacity and empower communities most impacted by inequities?
- How will our identified outcomes be reached by this program/service/initiative?
- What will success look like?
- How do we measure success?

e. Chrysta opened the floor for public comments on the discussion on funding recommendations. The following people provided public comment:

- Diane Ujiye
- Steven Delgado
- Hector Ramirez
- Elizabeth Chung
- Treneatra Muhammad

6. **Chrysta led a brainstorming exercise to focus the subcommittee topic area and allow subcommittee members to express the populations and areas members feel should be addressed by the subcommittee**

7. **The floor was opened up for a final public comment section. The following members of the public addressed the subcommittee:**

- Carl Ahmad
- Trenatra Muhammad
- Salam Makkonen
- Felipe Cacedes
- Michael Green
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6. **Adjournment**

Adjournment for the Measure J Re Imagine LA Economic Opportunity and Sustainability Subcommittee of 2/8/2021 was at 6:37pm.

There being no objection, the meeting was adjourned by co-chairs Dan Langford and newly appointed Ivette Ale.